

"SEC. 8. That the author or proprietor of any work made the subject of copyright by this Act, or his executors, administrators, or assigns, shall have copyright for such work under the conditions and for the terms specified in this Act: *Provided, however,* That the copyright secured by this Act shall extend to the work of an author or proprietor who is a citizen or subject of a foreign State or nation only:

"(a) When an alien author or proprietor shall be domiciled within the United States at the time of the first publication of his work; or

"(b) When the foreign State or nation of which such author or proprietor is a citizen or subject grants, either by treaty, convention, agreement, or law, to citizens of the United States the benefit of copyright on substantially the same basis as to its own citizens, or copyright protection substantially equal to the protection secured to such foreign author under this Act or by treaty; or when such foreign State or nation is a party to an international agreement which provides for reciprocity in the granting of copyright, by the terms of which agreement the United States may, at its pleasure, become a party thereto.

"The existence of the reciprocal conditions aforesaid shall be determined by the President of the United States, by proclamation made from time to time, as the purposes of this Act may require: *Provided, however,* That all works made the subject of copyright by the laws of the United States first produced or published abroad after August 1, 1914, and before the date of the President's proclamation of peace, of which the authors or proprietors are citizens or subjects of any foreign State or nation granting similar protection for works by citizens of the United States, the existence of which shall be determined by a copyright proclamation issued by the President of the United States, shall be entitled to the protection conferred by the copyright laws of the United States from and after the accomplishment, before the expiration of fifteen months after the date of the President's proclamation of peace, of the conditions and formalities prescribed with respect to such works by the copyright laws of the United States: *Provided further,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any person of any right which he may have acquired by the republication of such foreign work in the United States prior to the approval of this Act.

"SEC. 21. That in the case of a book first published abroad in the English language on or after the date of the President's proclamation of peace, the deposit in the copyright office, not later than sixty days after its publication abroad, of one complete copy of the foreign edition, with a request for the reservation of the copyright and a statement of the name and nationality of the author and of the copyright proprietor and of the date of publication of the said book, shall secure to the author or proprietor an ad interim copyright, which shall have all the force and effect given to copyright by this Act, and shall endure until the expiration of four months after such deposit in the copyright office."

Approved, December 18, 1919.

CHAP. 12.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the payment of salaries of officers and employees of Congress for December, 1919.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives are authorized and instructed to pay the officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, including the Capitol police, their respective salaries for the month of December, 1919, on the twentieth day

Issue of, to author, assigns, etc.
Vol. 35, p. 1077, amended.

Proviso.
Alien restrictions.

Residents.

Of country affording reciprocal protection.

Proclamation.

Provisos.
Protection of works produced abroad during the World War.

Prior republications.

Ad interim protection if published abroad after proclamation of peace.
Vol. 35, p. 1080, amended.
Time extended.

December 20, 1919.
[H. J. Res. 267.]
[Pub. Res., No. 23.]

Congressional officers, etc., to be paid December salaries December 20, 1919.

Former Resolution
rescinded.
Ann., p. 368.

of said month; and the provisions of the resolution (H. J. Res. 260) entitled "Joint resolution authorizing the payment of salaries of officers and employees of Congress for December, 1919," of this session of the Congress be, and the same are hereby, rescinded.

Approved, December 20, 1919.

December 23, 1919.
[H. J. Res. 266.]
[Pub. Res., No. 24.]

CHAP. 13.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the printing of the bill to consolidate, codify, revise, and reenact the general and permanent laws of the United States.

Revision of the Laws.
Printing of bills, etc.,
for use of House Com-
mittee, authorized.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Committee on Revision of the Laws in the House of Representatives is hereby authorized to print additions and amendments to H. R. 9389, or other bills concerning the same subject, if in its judgment necessary, in the style and form in which said bill is now printed, with such variations thereof as the said committee deems in the interests of efficiency and economy, and to so continue until final enactment thereof in both Houses of the Congress of the United States.

Approved, December 23, 1919.

December 23, 1919.
[S. J. Res. 137.]
[Pub. Res., No. 25.]

CHAP. 14.—Joint Resolution Authorizing the Secretary of War to construct a pontoon bridge across the Chattahoochee River at West Point, Georgia, and for other purposes.

Chattahoochee
River.
Construction of pon-
toon bridge across, at
West Point, Ga.

Loan of material, etc.

Provisos.
Use permitted.

Expenses of con-
struction, etc.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized in his discretion to construct and maintain a pontoon bridge across the Chattahoochee River at West Point, Georgia, and to loan to the city of West Point, Georgia, without expense of transportation to the Government, the necessary material for such construction now in possession of the War Department and not needed for immediate use: *Provided*, That the use of such bridge as a highway under the supervision, regulation, and control of the duly constituted authorities of said city of West Point, Georgia, is hereby permitted for such time as the Secretary of War shall determine to be necessary: *And provided further*, That all cost of construction shall be borne by the city of West Point, Georgia, and the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to make such rules and regulations for the return of the material to the Government herein authorized to be loaned as he may deem necessary.*

Approved, December 23, 1919.

December 24, 1919.
[S. 3458.]
[Public, No. 103.]

CHAP. 15.—An Act To make gold certificates of the United States payable to bearer on demand legal tender.

Gold certificates.
Made a legal tender.
Vol. 34, p. 1289.

Inconsistent laws re-
pealed.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That gold certificates of the United States payable to bearer on demand shall be and are hereby made legal tender in payment of all debts and dues, public and private.

SEC. 2. That all Acts or parts of Acts which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, December 24, 1919.